## **Exemptions**

The following information on Exemptions is from the Arkansas Department of Health website:

http://www.healthy.arkansas.gov/programs-services/topics/immunizations

## Q: How do I get a medical exemption for my child to not get an immunization?

**Answer:** A physician statement outlining medical reasons for an exemption of a specific immunization is to be submitted to the Medical Director of the Communicable Disease/Immunization Section with the exemption form.

PLEASE NOTE: The form requires a signature and seal of a Notary Public.

## Complete and mail to:

Arkansas Department of Health, 4815 West Markham - Mail slot 48 Little Rock, AR 72205.

The Medical Director will decide whether to grant the medical exemption based on the CDC guidelines.

PLEASE NOTE: Incomplete forms will be returned for completion. A new Exemption Form Must Be Completed Every School Year.

## Q: How do I get a religious or philosophical exemption for my child to not get any immunizations?

**Answer:** Religious exemptions can be granted for children "on the grounds that such immunization conflicts with the religious tenets and practices of a recognized church or religious denomination of which said parent or guardian is an adherent or member" in accordance with Arkansas Statute.

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